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☐ Applicant is entitled to claim small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9(d) and 1.27(c).☒ Description 16 pages☒ Claims 2 pages☒ Drawings☒ formal drawings 15 sheets☐ informal drawings sheets☒ Abstract 1 page☐ Sequence Listing pages☐ Computer Readable form (CFR)☒ Preliminary Amendment (4 pgs)☒ Copy of Originally executed Declaration and Power of Attorney☐ Assignment Recordation☐ Assignment☒ Information Disclosure Statement and 2 references☒ PTO 1449 10 sheets (in duplicate)

If a CONTINUING APPLICATION

☒ Continuation ☒ Divisional of U.S. Patent Application number 10/162,261, filed June 4, 2002, currently pending, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/529,900, now U.S. Patent No. 6,485,496, issued November 26, 2002Examiner Kristen L. Droesch

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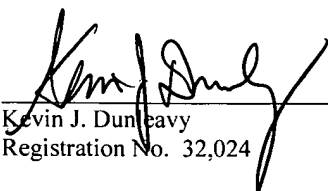
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